

Substitute Form PTO-1449 (Modified) Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant (Use several sheets if necessary) (37 CFR § 1.98(b))	U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office	Attorney's Docket No. 01997-294001	Application No. 09/954,979
	Applicant Jon Rong-Wei Yi et al.		RECEIVED FEB 06 2002 Technology Center 2600
	Filing Date September 17, 2001		

U.S. Patent Documents

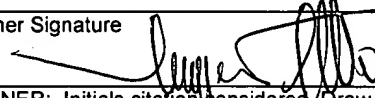
Examiner Initial	Desig. ID	Patent Number	Issue Date	Patentee	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If Appropriate
	AA						

Foreign Patent Documents or Published Foreign Patent Applications

Examiner Initial	Desig. ID	Document Number	Publication Date	Country or Patent Office	Class	Subclass	Translation	
							Yes	No
	AB							
	AC							

Other Documents (include Author, Title, Date, and Place of Publication)

Examiner Initial	Desig. ID	Document
HV	AD	Beutnagel et al., "Rapid Unit Selection from a Large Speech Corpus Concatenative Speech Synthesis", in Eurospeech, Budapest, 1999
HV	AE	Black et al., "Optimising Selection of Units from Speech Databases for Concatenative Synthesis", in ESCA Eurospeech'95, pages 581--584, 1995.
HV	AF	Bulyko et al., "Unit Selection for Speech Synthesis Using Splicing Costs with Weighted Finite State Transducers", Proc. Eurospeech, 2001
HV	AG	Bulyko et al., "Joint Prosody Prediction and Unit Selection for Concatenative Speech Synthesis", In Proc. of ICASSP, 2001
HV	AH	Hunt et al., "Unit Selection in a Concatenative Speech Synthesis System Using a Large Speech Database", Proc. Of ICASSP, 1996
HV	AI	Jannedy et al., "Name pronunciation in German text-to-speech synthesis", 1997
HV	AJ	Mobius, B., "Word and Syllable Models for German Text-to-Speech Synthesis"< Proceedings of the Third ESCA Workshop, 1998
HV	AK	Mohri, M., "Finite-State Transducers in Language and Speech Processing", Computational Linguistics, 1997
HV	AL	Mohri, M., "Weighted Grammar Tools: The GRM Library", Robustness in Language and Speech Technology, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2000, pp. 19-40
HV	AM	Riley et al., "Transducer Composition for Context-Dependent Network Expansion", IEEE Automatic Speech Recognition Workshop, Snowbird, Utah, December 1995.
HV	AN	Yi et al., "Natural-Sounding Speech Synthesis Using Variable-Length Units", 5 th International Conference on Spoken Language Processing, Sydney, Australia, November 30 - December 4, 1998
HV	AO	Yi et al., "A Flexible, Scalable Finite-State Transducer Architecture for Corpus-Based Concatenative Speech Synthesis", These Proceedings., Beijing, China, Oct. 2000

Examiner Signature 	Date Considered 5/5/04
EXAMINER: Initials citation considered. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.	